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June 14, 2019

Jolene Slowen, Deputy Director City of Albuquerque, Environmental Health Department Air Quality Program 1 Civic Plaza NW Albuquerque, NM 87102

Dear Ms. Slowen,

Thank you for the Initial Notification letter dated May 23, 2019, regarding the planned submittal of Exceptional Events Demonstrations for particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM₁₀) exceedances which occurred during 2018. Your letter listed four measurements from the South Valley monitor (AQS ID 35-001-0029-81102-3) which are in excess of the PM₁₀ National Ambient Air Quality Standard level of 150 μ m³. We understand the City of Albuquerque believes the exceedances were caused by High Wind Dust events. The PM₁₀ exceedances listed in the letter were:

Date	PM ₁₀ Measurement (μg/m ³)	AQS Flag
1/15/2018	157	rj, high winds
2/12/2018	229	rj, high winds
4/19/2018	283	rj, high winds
7/11/2018	200	rj, high winds

As agreed during the June 5, 2019, conference call between our staff, the City of Albuquerque plans to submit the Exceptional Event Demonstrations by October 11, 2019, after a 30-day public notice period. We appreciate all your efforts to run an effective ambient air monitoring program and look forward to reviewing the Demonstrations. Please call Frances Verhalen at 214-665-2172, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Branch Chief Air Permits, Monitoring & Grants Branch

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